

Position Paper Rubric

What is a *Position Paper*?

A position paper is a paper which describes how a country intends to address the topics of the committee, detailing tangible solutions to committee issues and connection to the country's policies. A position paper should contain details for each topic that will be addressed by the committee.

Formatting Requirements

- 12-point font, double-spaced Times New Roman
- 1-2 pages per topic (excluding Works Cited page)
- A Works Cited page with citations in MLA format
- Files submitted in .pdf format with title "GTMUN25_{short committee name}_{assigned country name}.pdf"
- e.g., "GTMUN25_DISEC_GERMANY.pdf" or "GTMUN25_UNOOSA_United_States.pdf"

START EACH TOPIC PAGE WITH

- Committee: [Name of committee]
- Delegation: [Name of delegation]
- Topic: [Topic name/description]

In order to be eligible for awards, delegates must submit a position paper and receive a score of at least **12/20 (for single-topic committees)** or **24/40 (for double-topic committees)**.



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	Great (5)	Good (4)	Adequate (3)	Poor (1)
Background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed description of the topic (including dates and stakeholders) Several facts and statistics Discusses many relevant UN documents and resolutions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic description of topic (including some dates and stakeholders) Some facts and statistics Discusses some relevant UN documents and resolutions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal description of topic (with no or few dates and stakeholders) Few facts and statistics Misses some key relevant UN documents and resolutions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unclear or incorrect description of topic Incorrect or missing facts or statistics No mention of relevant UN documents and resolutions
Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country's detailed history with issue Detailed present position (or a strongly-defended inferred position) of country Several references to statements from appropriate officials or documents Several facts and statistics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country's basic history with issue Present position (or reasonable inferred position) of country Some references to statements from appropriate officials or documents Some facts and statistics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sparsely describes country's history with issue Present position (or basic inferred position) of country Few references to statements from appropriate officials and documents Few facts and statistics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorrect or missing description of country's history with issue Incorrect present position (or unreasonably inferred position) of country No references to statements from appropriate officials and documents Incorrect or missing facts and statistics
Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed personal objectives Proposes well-supported potential solutions Identifies delegates to work with and provides strong reasoning for selections Actionable, reasonable solutions which are within the scope of the committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expresses personal objectives Proposes reasonable potential solutions Identifies delegates to work with and provides reasonable justification for selections Actionable solutions within the scope of committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States personal objective Proposes potential solutions Identifies delegates to work with Actionable solutions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No proposed goals or plans No potential collaborators mentioned Implausible or missing actionable solutions
Mechanics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No grammar, spelling, or punctuation errors Numerous and diverse citations from appropriate sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few grammar, spelling, or punctuation errors Citations from appropriate sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some grammar, spelling, or punctuation mistakes One or two citations from inappropriate sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many grammar, spelling, or punctuation mistakes No citations from appropriate sources